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Subject: RE: PCB Inspection: BRC PCB inspections April 14, 28 & May 16
Attachments: BRC_SOB CA Complete With Controls_11-7-17.doc; BRC Recorded ERC 6-11-12.pdf

Hello Peter. Now your digging into the deep past... Exterior only to my knowledge. A lot of PCB contaminated soil was removed from this facility, including an off-site wetland and agricultural field. Not exactly to today's standards, but protective of both human health and the environment. The PCBs originated in the hydraulic oil from the rubber presses. The sumps that contained the "leaky" presses drained out of the south side of the main manufacturing building and into the drainage ditch that eventually drained into an off-site ag field to the east. The entire ditch was excavated and rerouted to the same discharge point off-site. I was not involved in any of the sewer cleaning, or the cleaning of the on-site WWTP, which was done by DANA in the 1980s. Attached is the SOB for the Corrective Action Completion Determination, which contains a facility summary. At the end of the SOB is a list of references including the VFC#s. I highlighted a few VFC documents that contain additional information. Sorry I didn't have time to review all. It would be nice if our virtual file cabinet allowed for the inclusion of the document title, but you get what you pay for, I guess... The first highlighted document is a letter to EPA from Kevin Hogan, the IDEM PCB Coordinator at the time. It contains a summary of DANA's activities in the 1980s, and information on the sewer and WWTP Plant cleanup. I do not know when they switched to the municipal sewers. The next highlighted document contains the findings of the RFI and Supplemental RFI and a list of additional docs that may be helpful. Essentially, after the initial DANA cleanup (\$14 Million in 1980 dollars), BRC entered into an Agreed Order with IDEM to conduct additional on-site and off-site remediation and confirmation sampling, which was conducted by DANA under a sales contract with BRC. The last highlighted document includes a letter to the owner of the off-site property where additional soil and sediment removals were conducted. The confirmation sampling results are included demonstrating that adequate removal was achieved for the PCB contamination. Also attached is the ERC that was recorded on the deed to the property. Let me know if you have any questions, but you only have 80 days until I'm out-of-here, but hey, who's counting... Take care.

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Hi Mike,

We spoke to George Ritchotte yesterday regarding some PCB issues at this site. He indicated that RCRA CA was involved with it, spoke with you about the site, and that he looked over some VFC files. I was wondering if you recall whether PCBs were identified as a problem during the CA work. It sounds like they facility has had PCB discharge issues over the years. Curious if there is some data available on PCB contamination within/beneath the building or exterior.

Thanks!
Peter